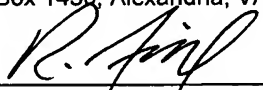


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In re Application of:

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COMMENTS ON STATEMENTS OF REASONS OF ALLOWANCE

Sir:

A Examiner's Statement for Reasons of Allowance issued in the above-referenced application with the Notice of Allowability.

In her comments on claims 31, 36, 93, 121 and 146, the Examiner stated that the sheet was considered to be disclosed in combination with the pocket.

Applicants respectfully contend that in those claims the pockets were structurally defined in those claims.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 07-1853. Should such

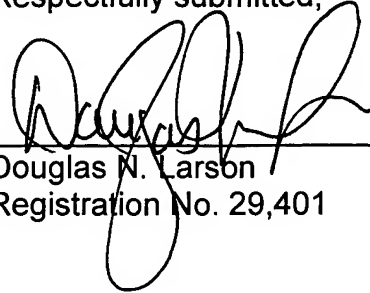
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additional fees be associated with an extension of time, Applicants respectfully request that this paper be considered a petition therefor.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Douglas N. Larson", is written over a horizontal line.

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